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SUPERIOR COURT, STATE OF ARIZONA, IN AND FOR THE COUNTY OF YAVAPAI

STATE OF ARIZONA, Plaintiff, vs. **PHILLIP THOMAS DELANEY,** Defendant.	**Case No.** S1300CR202500879 **ORDER**
HONORABLE KRISTA M. CARMAN **DIVISION 4**	**BY:** Jennifer Kuns, Judicial Assistant **DATE:** July 14, 2026

The Court has received the attached request to record the trial scheduled to begin on July 15, 2026.

The Court has provided the request to Counsel and has been advised the parties object to the audio recording of the trial.

Pursuant to Rule 122 (c)(2)(A), if the specified proceeding is a trial, a person must submit a request at least seven calendar days before the trial date.

The Court finds the request to record the trial scheduled for July 15-17, 2026, is untimely and both the State and the Defendant are objecting.

IT IS ORDERED the request to audio record the trial is **denied**.

eSigned by CARMAN, KRISTA M 07/14/2026 10:57:27 aJAeuNtJ

HON. KRISTA M. CARMAN
Judge of the Superior Court

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RE: Request to record jury trial Wed-Fri July 15-17
State vs. Phillip Thomas Delaney
Court Case #S1300CR202500879 — Case ID #0305017

DATE:July 13, 2026

Dear Judge Carman —

I write for the local Prescott-based Facebook social media page The Link. I plan to attend and cover the upcoming trial of Phillip Thomas Delany for aggravated assault charges stemming from a July 4, 2025 incident along AZ Route 69 in Prescott Valley

In the past in other courts, such as Judge Glenn A Savona's Prescott Municipal Court, judges have granted me permission to silently record hearings and judge trials (with no jury present) using an Android smartphone placed on the railing for the duration of the hearing or trial, camera off. The goal is to do better than scribble notes, and also have publication-ready audio for preparing audio clips without the expense, delay, and hassle of ordering official audio CDs through the court clerk. And without exception (not that these prior decisions serve as any form of precedent), Prescott Municipal Court judges have allowed this informal practice to take place when I infrequently cover the Court.

Your court, and also the presence of the Jury, makes things different, and I thought it best to put the request in writing a couple of days prior to attending the trial Wednesday through Friday of this week.

If your Honor would allow it, I would like to perform the same silent recording of the trial from jury selection through delivery of the verdict. No video. No holding of the smartphone. Just letting it lay on the railing as I normally do.

The last thing I would want is any form of distraction for you, the Jury, or opposing counsel, and so by default will assume the answer is no to my request. Or if yes, please have a clerk call me at (928) 277-1835 day or night, or email [redacted]@gmail.com. Or, I can check back with the clerk for your answer.

I trust this request is reasonable, even if your answer is no to any live recording of the trial.

Yours truly…

[redacted] 7/13/2026